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Meeting Minutes of the President's Advisory Panel on Federal Tax Reform October 18, 2005

The twelfth meeting of the President's Advisory on Federal Tax Reform was held on Tuesday, October 18, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was held at the Ronal Reagan Building & International Trade Center, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004. The following panel members were present at the meeting:

The Honorable Connie Mack, Chairman
The Honorable John Breaux, Vice Chairman
The Honorable William Eldridge Frenzel
Elizabeth Garrett (via telephone)
Edward Lazear
Timothy J. Muris
James Michael Poterba
Charles O. Rossotti
Liz Ann Sonders (via telephone)

The following staff was present at the meeting:

Jeffrey Kupfer, Executive Director Jonathan Ackerman Rosanne Altshuler Tara Bradshaw Travis Burke Itai Grinberg Kanon McGill Clarissa Potter

Mark S. Kaizen, Designated Federal Officer Kirsten N Witter

A number of specific proposals were discussed and considered by the Panel including major simplification and reform of the existing Federal Tax Code, fundamental reform within the existing Federal Tax Code, and Partial Replacement of the existing Federal Income Tax Code with a value-added tax. The Panel will recommend in its report proposals for what the Panel referred to as a simplified income tax and a modified progressive consumption tax. While the Panel will not be recommending the adoption of a value-added tax, a discussion of a value-added tax will be included in the report. The attached transcript and presentation materials accurately describe each matter that was discussed by the Panel at the meeting.

These minutes are certified as true and correct.

Connie Mack
Chairman

11-3-05 Date